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# **Command Operations Report**

This report is required by commands listed in SNDL Parts 1 & 2 and all operational Task Forces, Groups and Units temporarily established to meet operational requirements.

The report format is divided into six sections: Command Data, Commander's Assessment, Chronology and Narrative, Supporting Reports, Published Documents, and Photographs. Required information is identified in specific sections of the form. Instructions on submitting this form and the required attachments are at the end.

## 1. Command Data

Name of your Command or Organization: Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron ONE TWO ZERO (VAW-120)

Unit Identification Code (UIC), per the SNDL: 09527 & 30680

Name and Rank of Commander/Commanding Officer/Officer in Charge:

Last: BASDEN First: DONALD M.I.: A. Rank: COMMANDER (05)

Date Assumed Command: 26 November 2008

Mission/Command Employment/Area of Operations: Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron ONE TWO ZERO is the Fleet Replacement Squadron for the Carrier Airborne Early Warning and Fleet Logistics Support Communities. It is our primary duty to indoctrinate and train Naval Aviators, Naval Flight Officers, and enlisted Naval Aircrewmen in the operation of the E-2C "Hawkeye" and C-2A "Greyhound" aircraft.

Permanent Location (Home Port for deployable units): NS Norfolk, Virginia

Immediate Superior In Command:

Operational: Commander, Airborne Command and Control Logistics Wing

# Administrative: Commander, Airborne Command and Control Logistics Wing

Identify your assigned Task Force/Group/Unit name(s) and mission(s). Include OPLAN(s) and or named operations you participated in during Task Force assignment (if applicable): **NONE** 

Name(s) of Forces, Commands, Ships, Squadrons or Units assigned or under your operational control (if applicable): Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron ONE TWO ZERO

Type and number of Aircraft Assigned and Tail Codes, if applicable:

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12 E-2C "Hawkeye"
SIDE #
       BUNO
                CONFIGURATION
622
        163696
               Group II
640
        164495 Nav Upgrade
641
        164496 Nav Upgrade
642
        164497 Nav Upgrade
643
        165303 Nav Upgrade
651
        164109 Hawkeye 2000
652
        164111 MCU/ACIS
653
        166508 Hawkeye 2000
655
        166507
               TE-2C Hawkeye 2000
657
               Hawkeye 2000
        165648
660
               TE-2C GP2
        164110
661
               TE-2C Hawkeye 2000
        166503
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#### 5 C-2A(R) "Greyhound"

SIDE #	BUNO
631	162157
632	162170
633	162163
634	162159
636	162155

Commands, Detachments or Units deployed on board or stationed aboard as tenant activities (as applicable): N/A

Number of Personnel Assigned:

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Officers: Staff: 74, Student: 159 Enlisted: Staff: 368, Student: 8 Civilian: 38
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Command Point of Contact (required entry, complete in full):

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Name (Rank, First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name): LT

Job Title/Office Code: Public Affairs

E-mail (both classified and unclassified, if available): (b) (6)

Phone number(s): (757) 444-2719

Command Mailing Address: 1027 Bellinger Blvd, Norfolk, VA 23511
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### 2. Commander's Assessment

The Commander's Assessment briefly tells the story of the command's role in national defense and should highlight any general and specific lessons-learned. It should contain the commander's commentary, insights and reflections on the unit's activities. Attention should be directed to significant issues impacting training, operations and mission accomplishment during the reporting period. Descriptions of circumstances and sequence of events leading to major command decisions and results of those decisions are particularly desired. Also desired are accounts of specific contributions of individuals in the command to mission accomplishment. For units engaged in or directly supporting combat, significant wartime or peacetime operations (named operations, noncombat evacuation operations, disaster relief or other humanitarian operations, etc.) or major exercises, particular attention should be given to the commander's estimate of the situation, records of discussions and decisions, descriptions of circumstances and sequence of events leading to operational decisions and results of those decisions. For a unit returning from deployment or participating in a single operation this can normally be a single assessment. For higher-echelon commands or units engaging in multiple operations, a separate assessment for each operation in addition to an overall assessment may be appropriate.

VAW-120 continues to provide the fleet with exceptionally well-trained, professional Aviators, Flight Officers and Aircrew for the E-2C and C-2A aircraft. The command remains focused on ensuring safe and effective employment of both aircraft by managing a robust Naval Air Training Operating Procedures Standardization (NATOPS) program, supplying guidance, oversight and setting a high standard for the E-2/C-2 community.

## 3. Chronology and Narrative

Chronology should include dates of movements; local operations and training; exercises and operations (define acronyms and purpose of exercise or operation); installation of new weapons systems or changes; major physical changes to facilities, ship or aircraft; Class A or B mishaps; port visits; unit awards received; reserve augmentation; and other significant operational or administrative events.

#### VAW-120 2009 OPERATIONS TIMELINE

01/3-16	C-2 Detachment (West Coast)			
01/5-8	HETAT Conference			
01/20-26	COMACCLOGWING MPA Visit			
01/26	First Aircraft with PSE-modification			
02/3	Australian Wing Commander Visit			
02/2-4	Leadership Retreat			
02/17-03/6	Field Carrier Landing Practice Det, NAS Jacksonville			

02/25-26	IP - Carrier Qualification
03/2-6	Industrial Hygiene Survey
03/7-13	NFO Class (NO8-5) Detachment, Pt.Mugu, CA
03/23	Inspector General visit
04/3	Naval Flight Officer Class NO8-4 Winging
04/6	Virginia Military Institute Cadet Visit
04/14-17	C-2A Conference, Dallas, TX
04/17-19	Corpus Christi, TX, Airshow
04/8-05/23	Midshipmen Block 0
04/22	New Executive Officer
05/8-10	Milwaukee, WI, Airshow
05/12-14	SEG, Pawtuxet River, MD
05/12 14	Naval Flight Officer Class NO8-5 Winging
05/24-06/20	
06/9-12	C-2A Unit Evaluation
	Midshipmen Block 2
07/17	
07/6-16	Naval Flight Officer Class NO8-6 Winging
the state of the s	Field Carrier Landing Practice Det, NAS Jacksonville
	Midshipmen Block 3
07/24-28	Carrier Qualification
08/14	Aircraft 620 Memorial Dedication
08/21-23	Rockford, OH, Airshow
08/28	Naval Flight Officer Class N09-1 Winging
09/8-18	Field Carrier Landing Practice Det, NAS Jacksonville
09/10-13	Tailhook Conference, Reno, NV
09/20-25	Carrier Qualification
09/25	Naval Flight Officer Class N09-2 Winging
09/25-10/2	Hawkeye/Greyhound Ball Sports Week
10/1	Ground Breaking for new E-2D Simulator Facility
10/3	East Coast Hawkeye/Greyhound Ball
10/16-18	Oceana Airshow Aerial Demonstration Practice
10/26-28	Leadership Retreat
11/9-20	Field Carrier Landing Practice Det, NAS Jacksonville
11/9-13	Unit Evaluation
11/22	Aircraft 653 transfer to VAW-112
11/23-24	Local Field Carrier Landing Practice, NALF Fentress
11/26-29	Thanksgiving Liberty
12/1-4	Local Field Carrier Landing Practice, NALF Fentress
12/3-11	Carrier Qualification
12/4	Naval Flight Officer Class N09-3 Winging
12/16	Squadron Christmas Party
12/24-27	Christmas Liberty

Total Flight Hours: 4255.2 hrs

The Maintenance Department at VAW-120 provides the aircraft maintenance support necessary to accomplish the command's training mission. It currently provides all scheduled, unscheduled and special maintenance requirements for 12 E-2C and 5 C-2A(R) aircraft. As the largest department in the squadron, it contains approximately 85% of all permanently assigned personnel consisting of over 366 enlisted maintenance personnel, 26 Chief Petty Officers and 12 Officers.

Following the aftermath of Haiti's Earthquake, the Greyhawk's augmented VRC-40's area of responsibilities, providing critical logistical support to Atlantic Fleet Battle Groups during the initial response and recovery effort. VAW-120 conducted operations out of NAS Jacksonville, FL, USS HARRY S. TRUMAN (CVN 75) and USS GEORGE H.W. BUSH (CVN 77).

The following E-2C and C-2A(R) aircraft were received, transferred, underwent Planned Maintenance Interval (PMI) inspections, Depot level maintenance or modifications:

166507 162157 166508	MAY 09 AUG 09 SEP 09	Received From DCMA ST. AUGUSTINE, FL VRC-40 DCMA ST. AUGUSTINE, FL VAW-116 VIA FRC SOUTHWEST POST PMI-2 COMPLETION
BUNO	Date	Transferred To
165811	OCT 09	FRC SOUTHWEST SAN DIEGO, CA FOR PMI-2 AND REPORTING CUSTODIAN REASSIGNMENT
BUNO	PMI/MOD	
163696	NP2K MOD	
164497	PMI-2, SA	ICOM MOD AFC-501
164496	PMI-2, SA	FCOM MOD AFC-501, GARMIN MOD AFC-476
162170	PMI-2	
166507	GARMIN MOI	AFC-476
164495	SATCOM MOI	AFC-501, GARMIN MOD AFC-476
164111	PMI-1	
166508	GARMIN MOI	AFC-476, CNS-ATM MOD
165303	SATCOM MOI	AFC-501
165811	PMI-2	
162159	PMI-1	

The short narrative should amplify chronology entries (such as objectives and results of exercises/operations; commander's evaluation of exercises/operations, etc). Entries may refer to an enclosure of this report without additional description if the enclosure sufficiently reports the incident/event.

For all other entries, give the date or period in YYYY-MM-DD format and provide a brief narrative. All significant events during the reporting period are to be included.

2009 - 5 Field Carrier Landing Practice and Carrier Qualification detachments conducted. These comprehensive tasks included determining the aircraft assets required, training to be completed, field or carrier usage, billeting, maintenance support, funding and other miscellaneous items. COD, 4-blade, and 8-blade qualification requirements added complexity to the planning, as individual students have separate requirements. The squadron produced 42 qualified E-2C Naval Aviators (22 x E-2C / 20 x C-2A), 36 qualified Naval Flight Officers and 14 Naval Aircrewman for the fleet.

# 4. Supporting Reports

Supporting Reports are those reports required by other instructions that provide significant data about the command during the calendar year. These reports may be submitted "as is," eliminating the need to duplicate information for this report that is already contained in reports prepared in response to other instructions and requirements. Examples include battle efficiency, safety and other award submissions, major staff or command studies, and end of cruise reports or briefs. For units engaged in or directly supporting combat, significant wartime or peacetime operations (named operations, non-combat evacuation operations, disaster relief or other humanitarian operations, etc.) or major exercises, enclosures may include, but are not limited to:

- a. Situation Reports
- b. Intentions Messages
- c. Operational Reports
- d. Operations Orders/Deployment Orders
- e. Operational Plans
- f. Personal For Messages
- g. After Action Reports
- h. Significant Electronic Message Traffic (outgoing/e-mail/chat)
- i. Battle Damage Assessments
- j. Casualty Reports
- k. End-of-Cruse/Deployment Reports
- 1. Intelligence Summaries
- m. Major Exercise Reports

List below the items submitted, indicating the classification of each. Electronic reports should be in a Microsoft Office format (Word, Excel, Power Point, or Access), HTML, PDF, JPG, GIF, or plain text. It is unnecessary to convert non-electronic documents to electronic format. Submit electronic reports via e-mail or on CD-ROM as explained at the end of this form. Enclosures that do not exist in electronic format should be listed below and submitted in hardcopy in the same manner as a CDROM.

#### None

### 5. Published Documents

List below the published documents being submitted in either electronic or paper format, indicating the classification of each item. Documents to be submitted include cruise books, change of command programs, commissioning/decommissioning brochures,

establishment/disestablishment/deactivation brochures, copy of command's web site, news releases, biography of commander, welcome aboard brochures, newspaper articles, command studies, statistical data, etc.

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None

# 6. Photographs

List below official photographs and any other command-generated media being submitted in either electronic or paper format. Photographs to be submitted include: official photo of commanding officer; recent photo of ship, aircraft, or facility; and photos of historic events associated with the command. Photographs submitted electronically should be in JPG, TIFF or GIF format. It is unnecessary to convert non-electronic documents to electronic format. Photographs in electronic format are to be submitted via e-mail or on CD-ROM as explained below. Enclosures that do not exist in electronic format should be listed below and submitted in the same manner as the CD-ROM. Also include any photographs covering operational strikes, battle damage (especially that sustained by own ship, aircraft, facilities or equipment), or other relevant photos relating to combat or deployment operations.

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